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RUWTPAA/ACIC ST LOUIS MO

RUCDSQ/FTD WPAFB DAYTON OHIO

RUCSC/SAC OFFUTT AFB OMAHA NEB

RUEABL/HQ COMD USAF

RUEADX/COMDR TAC LAFBVA

RUEKDA/DIA WASHDC

RUEAHQ/HQS USAF WASHDC

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RUECD/FSTC WASHDC

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RUECW/CNO WASHDC

RUEHCR/STATE RCI WASHDC

RUEKDA/JCS/JRC WASHDC

RUEPCR/DIRNSA

RUEPDA/ACSI DA WASHDC

ZEN/CIA WASHDC

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RUHLKM/PACAF HONOLULU HAWAII

RUHKA/CINCPAC CAMP SMITH OAHU HAWAII

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RUWGAA/2AF BARKSDALE AFB LA
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1. SCAN BY NPIC OF MISSIONS

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REVEALS AN INCREASE OF

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SUSPECT INSURGENCY ACTIVITY AT CHAVANE AIRFIELD

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LOCATED AT 1530N 10704E (UTM YB216973) IN THE PANHANDLE AREA OF LAOS.

2. MISSION

REVEALS CHAVANE AIRFIELD AS AN

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ENE/WSW UNSERVICEABLE SOD LANDING STRIP. THERE ARE THREE TRAILS IN
THE IMMEDIATE AREA OF THE LANDING STRIP. THE FIRST GOES E/W

ACROSS THE CENTER OF THE STRIP AND SHOWS ONLY MODERATE USE. A

SECOND PARALLELS THE FIRST BUT STAYS IN THE TREES IMMEDIATELY NORTH
OF THE STRIP AND JOINS THE FIRST EAST AND WEST OF THE STRIP.

(THE DEGREE OF USAGE OF THIS TRAIL CANNOT BE DETERMINED). THE THIRD
CUTS A ACROSS THE WSW END OF THE CLEARED AREA AROUND THE STRIP AND
JOINS THE FIRST TRAIL WEST OF THE LANDING STRIP. THIS TRAIL ALSO
SHOWS MODERATE USE. THE AREA IS DEFENDED BY APPROXIMATELY:

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3 AW POSITIONS (ONE WITH AN ASSOCIATED TRENCH) AND 4 POSSIBLE PERSONNEL POSITIONS ON THE WSW END OF STRIP; 2 AW POSITIONS (ONE WITH AN ASSOCIATED TRENCH) NORTH OF WSW END OF STRIP; AND 3 AW POSITIONS (TWO WITH ASSOCIATED TRENCHES) SOUTH OF WSW END OF STRIP. ALL POSITIONS AND TRENCHES APPEAR UNOCCUPIED. NO BUILDINGS OR MILITARY CAMPS OBSERVED IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY BUT AT LEAST 22 WATER BUFFALO ARE OBSERVED GRAZING ON AND AROUND AIRFIELD.

3. MISSION [REDACTED] REVEALS CHAVANE AIRFIELD STILL UNSERVICEABLE WITH 11 BOMB CRATERS ON OR ADJACENT TO STRIP. NUMEROUS ADDITIONAL CRATERS OBSERVED IN AREA. THE AFOREMENTIONED TRAILS ARE STILL PRESENT AND IN USE. THE TRAIL WHICH CROSSES THE RUNWAY CENTER HAS BEEN USED SINCE THE AIR STRIKES EVIDENCED BY TRACKS ON THE BOMB SPOIL. THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL DEFENSES HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTED SINCE [REDACTED] 2 AW POSITIONS WITH AN ASSOCIATED TRENCH TO AN EXISTING POSITION AT THE WSW END OF THE STRIP; 3 AW POSITIONS WITH ASSOCIATED TRENCHES AND FIRING BAYS LOCATED IMMEDIATELY NORTH OF ENE END OF LANDING STRIP; AND 3 POSSIBLE AW POSITIONS LOCATED 0.2 NM NORTH OF ENE END OF LANDING STRIP. ALL POSITIONS AND TRENCHES APPEAR UNOCCUPIED. NO BUILDINGS OR MILITARY CAMPS OBSERVED.

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